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RESPONSE TO PROVIDE OMISSION

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office communication mailed February 26, 2008 alleging that Applicants' response filed November 28, 2007 was not fully responsive because of an omission in addressing the double patenting rejection. The Office Communication is requiring supplying the omission.

It is Applicants' understanding that the Office communication is asking that Applicants submit the omitted material only in this response. Therefore this paper addresses only the obviousness-type double-patenting rejection, which is actually a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection, set forth in the previous Office Action. Applicants request that the response filed November 28, 2007 be entered and fully considered.